IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

Please AMEND claims 1-12 in accordance with the following:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An installation method of an application <u>program</u> comprising:

extracting a feature point after having analyzed <u>a</u> data file,

deciding selecting a version of an the application program suited for the data file based on an the extracted feature point,

judging whether an-the application program of a decided version is already installed, and newly-installing an-the application program of the version when the decided version of the application program is not installed.

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An-The installation method of an application-mentioned in claim 1, wherein:

the feature point is a reserved word of a macro instruction included in the data file, and the version of the application program is decided by detecting the reserved word peculiar specific to each version.

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An The installation method of an application mentioned in claim 1, wherein:

the feature point is a syntax pattern of the macro instruction included in the data file, and the version of the application program is decided by detecting the syntax pattern peculiar specific to each version.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An activation method of an application <u>program</u> comprising:

extracting each at least one of a plurality of feature points after having analyzed at least two or more equal to or more than two data files,

deciding selecting a version of the application program that the in which a data file is

readable based on the feature point,

simultaneously displaying simultaneously the readable data file and an the application program of a version decided thereby, and

actuating activating the displayed application program in relation to any one of the analyzed data files.

5. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An-The activation method of an application mentioned in claim 4, wherein:

the <u>readable</u> data file is displayed with a different symbol figure by each version corresponding to the application program.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An-<u>The</u> activation method of an application mentioned in claim 4, wherein:

only the <u>readable</u> data file corresponding to a version of the application program is displayed when the application program is selected.

7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An <u>The</u> activation method of an application mentioned in claim 4, wherein:

the installation of a corresponding application program is executed when an application program corresponding to the data file does not exist.

8. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An-The activation method of an application mentioned in claim 3, further comprising:

eliminating an existing file <u>if</u> in case that a vacancy domain is-insufficient <u>domain space</u> <u>exists,</u> when the application program is executed.

9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A record computer-readable medium that a on which an application program is recorded, the application program when executed by the computer, causes the computer to execute the functions comprising:

a step for extracting each at least one of a plurality of feature point points after having analyzed at least two or more equal to or more than two data files,

a step for deciding selecting a version of the application program which can read the readable data file based on the feature point,

a step for simultaneously displaying simultaneously the readable data file and an the

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application program of a version decided thereby, and

a step for actuating activating the displayed application program in relation to any one of the analyzed data files.

10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus for executing an application program comprising:

a means for extracting each an extracting unit extracting at least one of a plurality of feature point points after having analyzed at least two or more equal to or more than two data files.

a means for deciding a selecting unit selecting a version of the application program which can read the <u>readable</u> data file based on the feature point,

a means for simultaneously <u>a</u> displaying <u>unit simultaneously displaying</u> the <u>readable</u> data file and <u>an the</u> application program of a version decided thereby, and

a means for actuating an activating unit activating the displayed application program in relation to any one of the <u>analyzed</u> data files.

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) An apparatus for installing an application <u>program</u> comprising:

a means for extracting a an extracting unit extracting at least one of a plurality of feature point points after having analyzed a data file,

a means for deciding a selecting unit selecting a version of an-the application program suited for the analyzed data file based on an extracted feature point,

a means for judging whether an a judging unit judging whether the application program of a decided version is already installed, and

a means for newly installing an installation unit installing the application program of the version when the decided version of the application program is not installed.

12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The A storage medium that memorized a storing an application program, which when executed by a computer, for sequentially executing:

a step for extracting a at least one of a plurality of feature point points after having analyzed a data file,

a step for deciding selecting a version of an-the application program suited for the analyzed data file based on an extracted feature point,

a step for judging whether an the application program of a decided version is already

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installed, and

a step for newly installing an-the application program of the version when the decided version of the when the application program is not installed.